

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic U.S. Naval Amphibious Training Base

and/or common Calvert Marina (Lord Calvert Yacht Club)

2. Location

street & number Dowell Road ☐ not for publicationcity, town Dowell ☐ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Calvert

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Calvert Marina c/o Matt Gambrill

street & number P.O. Box 154 telephone no.:

city, town Solomons, state and zip code Maryland 20688

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse liber

street & number Main Street (MD 765) folio

city, town Prince Frederick state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. CT-800

Condition

☐ excellent

☐ good

☒ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Consult attached site plan.

1. Brick sentry boxes and gate.
2. Brick flat-roofed pump house.
3. Framed and weatherboarded bungalow with a gable-end entrance.
4. Framed warehouse covered with vertical boarding and corrugated sheet metal.
5. Three-bay brick utility building with a gable roof.
6. Framed, gable-roofed machine shop sheathed with corrugated sheet metal. The structure has side sheds and clerestory windows.
7. Framed, gable-roofed machine shop sheathed with corrugated sheet metal. The structure has side sheds and clerestory windows.
8. Small framed and gable-roofed well house with six-over-six double-hung sash in domestic sized bays.
9. Warehouse sheathed in corrugated sheet metal.
10. Brick square-plan building with a segmental-arched roof. It was used as a boiler house.
11. Small brick structure surmounted by framed walls fitted with window frames and a gable roof. It was used as a brig.
12. Low one-story brick sterilizing house with a gable roof.
13. Diesel generator sunk into a molded concrete pit and used as a salt water pumping device.
14. Brick chimneys surviving from the original officers' mess.
15. Brick and gable-roofed pump house.
16. Framed and pyramidal-roofed service building.
17. Two-story framed and weatherboarded double-pile five-bay gable-roofed dwelling set on a brick foundation and with brick exterior gable-end chimneys. Built in the 1940s to serve as the commanding officer's quarters. The main entrance is sheltered by a Doric portico with a Greek key motif in the frieze.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1942, 1945 Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The U.S. Naval Amphibious Training Base was established in 1942 to meet the threats posed by the several fronts of World War II. Training at this facility emphasized the skills necessary for ship-to-shore landings on hostile territory, the sorts of invasions expected for Europe and in islands of the Pacific. Selection of the peninsula between Mill Creek and Back Creek for the military training facility was confirmed on June 11, 1942. The base was needed and in use long before it was completed, and despite its importance to the war effort, it never lost its temporary character. Facilities were apparently always inadequate for the quantity of people and variety of functions accommodated. It was closed on April 1, 1945. A total of 67,698 officers and enlisted men had been trained during a less-than three-year span.

For several years after the ATB was closed, the State of Maryland used the site and the buildings for a variety of purposes. The property was offered for sale by the State in 1959, and has been operated as a private yacht club and marina since that time.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Solomons Island, MDQuadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

B

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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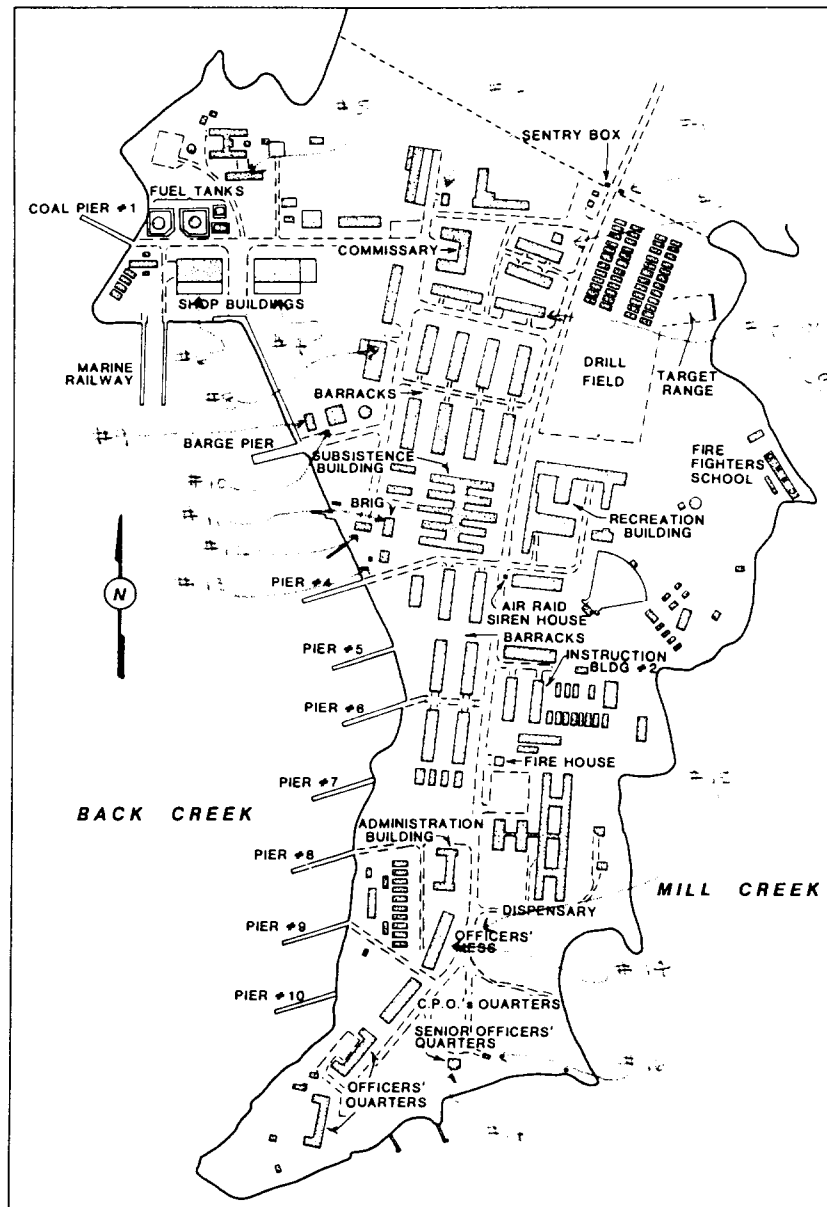
11. Form Prepared By

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Adapted from "Map of Amphibious Training Base, Solomons, MD., Showing Conditions on June 30, 1945, P.W.D. No. 1185," Public Works Div., Potomac River Naval Command.

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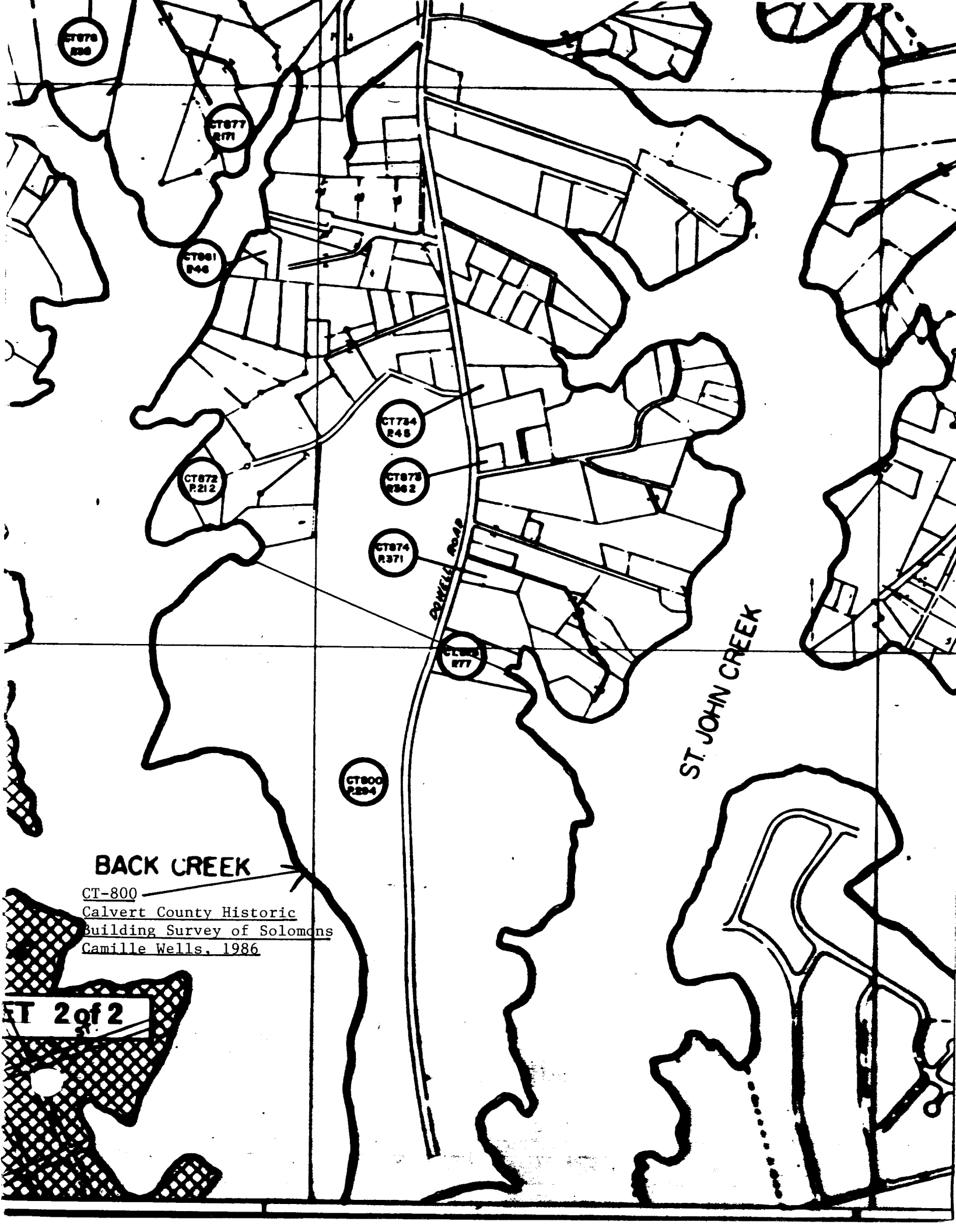
WINDDALE

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DOWELL ROAD

ST JOHN CREEK



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BACK CREEK

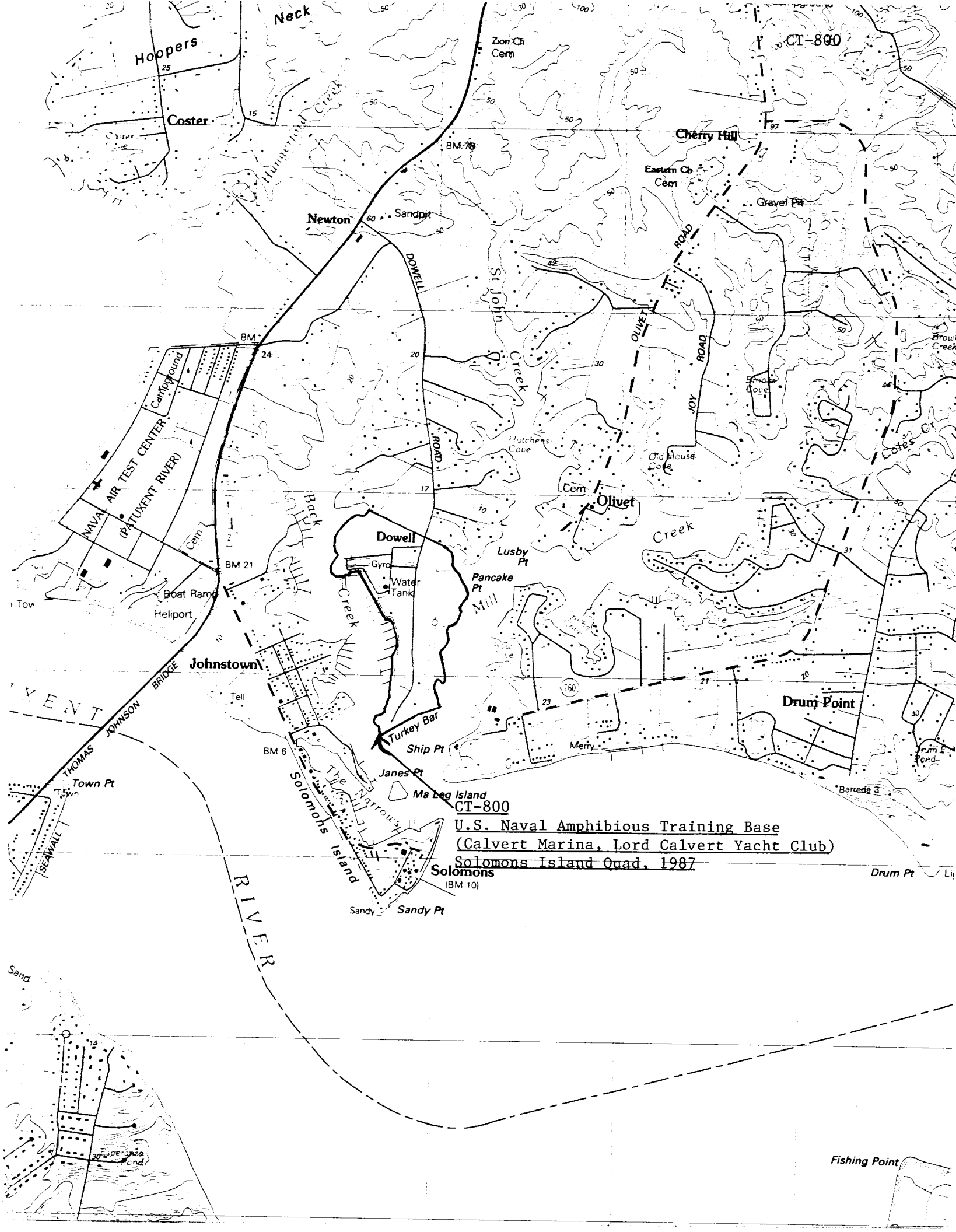
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Calvert County Historic
Building Survey of Solomons
Camille Wells, 1986

ST. JOHN CREEK

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Hoopers

Coster

Neck

Hundred Creek

Newton

Sandpit

Zion Ch
Cem

BM 78

Cherry Hill

Eastern Ch
Cem

Gravel Pit

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DONELL ROAD

St John
Creek

OLIVER ROAD

JOY ROAD

Hutchens
Cove

Cem

Oliver

Creek

Dowell

Gyro

Water
Tank

Lusby
Pt

Pancake
Pt

Mill

Boat Ramp
Heliport

Johnstown

Tell

BM 6

Ship Pt

Janes Pt

Ma Leg Island

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U.S. Naval Amphibious Training Base

(Calvert Marina, Lord Calvert Yacht Club)

Solomons Island Quad, 1987

Solomons
(BM 10)

Sandy

Sandy Pt

Drum Point

Barred 3

Drum Pt

Fishing Point



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Training Base
gate and sentry boxes
Dowell Road
Solomons

Camille Wells
view from the south

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Training Base

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brig
Dowell Road
Solomons

Camille Wells
view from the southwest

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Training Base
commanding officer's quarters
Dowell Road
Solomons

Camille Wells
view from the north

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Ct-800 U. S. Naval Amphibious
Training Base

machine shops

Dowell Road

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Camille Wells

view from the southeast

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Training Base
officers' mess
Dowell Road
Solomons

Camille Wells
view from the southeast

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